Subject: Local Agency Allocations

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Policy: Kansas uses a relative need funding formula to determine the amount of dollars that each local agency receives to administer the WIC program. Once the original relative need was established and participation levels were assigned to each county, Kansas then used historical participation levels as a component of the relative need funding formula. The funding formula weighs each LA's assigned participation and the incidence of low birth weight infants and infant deaths in the LA geographic service area.

Reference: CFR §246.6

Procedure: Applying the Relative Need Funding Formula The total sum of all LA assigned participation is used as the denominator and individual LA assigned participation is used as the numerator to develop a percentage for each LA. The resulting factor is then multiplied by 80% of the total amount of available administrative funds to determine the amount of administrative funds each LA receives for the participation they are assigned.

The total state sum of the average incidence of low birth weight babies over a 5-year period is used as the denominator and the individual LA average incidence of low birth weight babies over a five-year period is used as the numerator to develop a percentage for each LA. The resulting factor is multiplied by 15% of the total amount of available administrative funds to determine the amount of administrative funds each LA receives based on the incidence of low birth weight babies in their geographic service area.

The total state sum of the incidence of infant mortality over a 5-year period is used as the denominator and the individual LA incidence of infant mortality over a five-year period is used as the numerator to develop a percentage for each LA. The resulting factor is multiplied by 5% of the total amount of available administrative funds to determine the amount of administrative funds each LA receives based on incidence of infant mortality in their geographic service area.

Mathematically, the total funding allocated to each LA is expressed as follows:

Assigned participation for county   X 80% of total available administrative dollars
Total assigned state participation

+Incidence of low birth weight over
5 years for county   X 15% of total available administrative dollars
Total state incidence of low birth
     Weight over 5 years

+Incidence of infant mortality over   X   5% of total available administrative dollars
5 years for county
Total state incidence of infant mortality
Over 5 years
=   100% of funds allocated to LA